

WISCONSIN LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL AMENDMENT MEMO

2001 Assembly Bill 865

Assembly Amendment 2

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Current law provides for an elected county executive in counties with a population of at least 500,000. In other counties, the office of county executive may be created by the county board or by petition and referendum; in these other counties, the office may be abolished by petition and referendum.

Assembly Bill 865 eliminates the requirement that a county executive be elected in counties with a population of at least 500,000, making those counties consistent with other counties concerning the office of county executive.

Assembly Amendment 2 provides that no referendum for the purpose of abolishing the office of county executive in a county with a population of at least 500,000 may be held after November 30, 2003, or before April 7, 2004.

Assembly Amendment 2 was adopted by the Assembly on a voice vote on March 7, 2002.

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